35223. Diospyros kaki L. f.

Persimmon.

From Seoul, Chosen (Korea). Presented by Mr. George H. Scidmore, American consul general. Received April 23, 1913.

"Scions cut from a persimmon tree of the 'sheep-nose' variety on the compound of this consulate general." (Scidmore.)

For previous introduction, see S. P. I. No. 34697.

35224 to **35226**. Phaseolus spp.

Bean.

From San Salvador, Salvador. Presented by Mr. Thomas Hinckley, American consul general, who procured them through the Sociedad Nacional de Agricultura, Ganadería, é Industrias, of Salvador. Received March 17, 1913.

"The red and black Sinete beans were grown at an altitude of 2,200 feet, where the average rainfall is between 50 and 60 inches and where the temperature during the year ranges from 33° to 15° C. I was further informed that these beans are produced with the best results at an altitude of 1,000 to 3,000 feet, where the rainfall is between 36 and 72 inches. These beans are planted in the month of May and ripen the following November. They are sown at the same time as Indian corn, the proportion being about 1 pound of beans to 8 pounds of corn. Two or three seeds are sown in the same hill with the corn, every other furrow being left fallow. They grow rapidly and mature before the corn.

"The Ayeco beans were grown at an altitude of somewhat over 3,000 feet, where the rainfall is heavier and the temperature lower than that above mentioned. They should be grown at an altitude of above 3,000 feet, where the rainfall is heavy, and should be planted in very rich soil, preferably on land that has been recently cleared and burned, where there would be an excess of potash. This bean is also planted in May, but does not ripen until the following December. They are planted in the same manner as the Sinete, except that four or five seeds are sown and two intervening furrows are left fallow. This species matures later than the corn." (Hinckley.)

35224. Phaseolus coccineus L.

"Ayeco. A very interesting type of scarlet runner, probably of little economic importance for this country." (D. N. Shoemaker.)

35225. Phaseolus vulgaris L. 35226. Phaseolus vulgaris L. "Black Sineie." "Red Sineie."

35227. MISCANTHUS JAPONICUS (Thunb.) Oersted. Zebra grass.

From San Giovanni a Teduccio, Naples, Italy. Purchased from Dammann & Co. Received April 25, 1913.

"This grass, which is a very common ornamental growing on some of the poorest soils in the District of Columbia and Maryland, produces very fine paper fiber when cooked by the soda process. It resembles esparto fairly closely and is regarded as a promising source of paper fiber." (C. J. Brand.)

Procured for paper-plant investigations.

35228 and 35229.

From San Salvador, Salvador. Presented by Mr. Thomas Hinckley, American consul general. This material was procured at the request of Mr. R. T. Ruiz. Received April 24, 1913.

35228. Phaseolus vulgaris L.

Bean.

"Little white bean of Salvador that is so vastly superior to all the white beans in cultivation in this country for several reasons, the most remarkable being